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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)
Misako MIZUNO et al.) Group Art Unit: 1638
Application No.: 09/577,657) Examiner: Anne R. Kubelik
Filed: May 25, 2000) Confirmation No.: 6902
For: GENE ENCODING CAFFEINE)
SYNTHESIS SYSTEM ASSOCIATED)
ENZYME AND USE THEREOF)

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

BOX RCE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose
the ☐ RCE Fee S ☒ \$740.00 RCE Fee L fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

1. Applicant(s) previously submitted the following documents for which continued examination is requested:
☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on .
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
☐ Other: _____
2. The following documents are enclosed with this submission:
☒ Amendment/Reply.
☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).
☒ Other: Petition for Extension of Time
3. ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
☒ No additional claim fee is required.
☐ The fee is calculated below on the basis of the highest number of claims already paid for in this application prior to this submission:

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| | NO. OF CLAIMS | HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS THUS PAID FOR | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | FEE |
| Basic Fee | | | | | 740.00 |
| Total Claims | | MINUS 20 = | | • Xtra Dep. L = | |
| Independent Claims | | MINUS 3 = | | • Xtra Ind. L = | |
| If multiple dependent claims are presented, add Mult Dep L | | | | | |
| Total Fee | | | | | |
| If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Fee | | | | | |
| TOTAL FEE DUE | | | | | 740.00 |

4. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 740.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
5. ☐ Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
6. ☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least ____, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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